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Preface

The present summary is a report on the political, economic, and sociological activities and developments in Rumania, covering all available newspapers of the Rumanian provincial press from 23-28 April 1960. All items, whether summaries, condensations, or partial translations, reflect the specific and contextual meaning of the original text.

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I ECONOMIC

A. Manufacturing Industry

A 1,000 -ton oil tanker has been launched at "1 Mai" Shipyard in Braila. The yard is also building a 40-ton lighter. (Viata Noua, 26 April 1960, p 1)

By the introduction of a turning device, circular welding of the columns of barge derricks, weighing 3-5 and 20 tons, is now automated at Galati Shipyard. (Viata Noua, 26 April 1960, p 1)

Recently, a machine for casting under pressure was put into operation at "Vasile Tudose" Metallurgical Works (Uzine Metalurgice "Vasile Tudose") in Colibasi. It will be used to cast pistons for truck motors and other pieces; they will have smaller working allowances. (Secera si Ciocanul, 29 April 1960, p 1)

B. Chemical Industry

The electrode section at "Carbochim" Plant has begun to produce 125, 175 and 225 millimeter electrodes for the iron and steel industry. Contactors for trolley buses and carbon electrodes for welding are being produced experimentally with a view to their production on an industrial scale. (Facila, 27 April 1960, p 1)

In 1959 the annual production capacity of the Soda Products Works at Ocna Mures was 200,000 tons of crude sodium carbonate. In 1961 this capacity will be increased to 300,000 tons. (Facila, 26 April 1960, p 1)

A new semicellulose plant will soon go into operation at Constanta. (Dobrogea Noua, 23 April 1960, p 3)

A tire plant (Uzina de Anvelope), with an annual capacity of one million tires for buses, trucks, automobiles and tractors, is being built at Popesti-Leordeni, near Bucharest. This new unit of the chemical industry is scheduled to go into operation in 1962. It will have ultramodern equipment and a high degree of automation. At present work is being done on the foundation of the main fabrication hall which will cover more than 3 hectares. Construction continues on the laboratory, the warehouse for finished products, the roads and railroads. (Steagul Rosu, 29 April 1960, p 1)

Reporting on construction at the Fagaras Chemical Combine, Nicolae Opris, secretary of the Fagaras raion Party committee, said that the nitric acid plant went into operation on schedule, the ammonium hydroxide and ammonium nitrate plants are now producing, and finally technological tests will start by 15 May at the methanol plant which is slated to go into operation at the end of September 1960. (Drum Nou, 27 April 1960, p 2)

Over-plan production for the first quarter of 1960 at Salina Ocna Muresului [Ocna Mures Salt Mines] was (in tons): solid salt, 2,847; salt in solution, 5,109; bentonite, 464; limestone, 7,475; sand, 370. (Facila, 26 April 1960, p 1)

C. Ferrous Metallurgy

A tower crane was completed on 16 April 1960 at Resita Metallurgical Combine. The crane, with a tower 86 meters high, can lift over 40 tons. It will be used in the construction of the blast furnaces and Cowper stoves. (Flamura Rosie, 23 April 1960, p 1)

On 26 April 1960, "Ceramica" Plant in Bara Mare shipped 2 freight cars of refractory brick to Hunedoara Iron and Steel Combine for use in the open-hearth furnaces and pouring ladles. (Drumul Socialismului, 27 April 1960, p 1)

The capacity of the cupola furnace in the cast iron foundry at "Ernst Thalmann" Tractor Works, Orasul Stalin, has been increased from 5 to 7.5 tons per hour by replacing of the old air cooling system with a device to spray water on the cupola jacket. (Drum Nou, 27 April 1960, p 1)

D. Nonferrous Metallurgy

On 23 April 1960 a conference was held at the Baia Mare Mining Trust. It was organized by the mining section of the regiune branch of ASIT and the Department of Nonferrous Mines. Among those attending were Engr Ioan Georgescu, representing the Department of Nonferrous Mines in Bucharest, and Engr Petru Vlad, director of the Baia Mare Mining Trust. (Pentru Socialism, 24 April 1960, p 1)

In discussing the competition organized by the Ministry of the Petroleum and Chemical Industry, it was reported that the installations in the converter section at "1 Mai" Works in Baia Mare are ultramodern. Charging of the matte resmelting furnace is completely mechanized. A production record was set in the sulfuric acid section: in March 1960 the peak months of 1959 were surpassed by 42 tons of sulfuric acid. Roasting furnace No 6 increased production by 50 percent. (Pentru Socialism, 24 April 1960, p 1, 3)

E. Agriculture

Most of the provincial press papers carried a front page notice from the Ministry of Agriculture warning of a coming cold wave. According to the Meteorological Institute, the warning stated, during the nights of 26-27, 27-28, and 28-29 April, the temperature would drop to between minus 5 and 0 degrees centigrade in the Ardeal and Moldavia and to between minus 2 and plus 2 degrees centigrade in the southern part of the country. Protective measures for orchards, vineyards and vegetable gardens were suggested. A similar cold spell was expected 3-8 May 1960. (Steagul Rosu, 27 April 1960, p 1; same bulletin in rest of papers)

The following are some scattered reports on weather in various parts of the country:

The weather is turning warmer throughout all of Cluj Regiune, permitting the sowing of second period crops. (Facila, 23 April 1960, p 1)

Recent rainy weather has prevented sowing in some parts of Constanta Regiune. (Dobrogea Noua, 24 April 1960, p 1)

Due to good weather, a great deal of field work has been done in Stalin Regiune. (Drum Nou, 24 April 1960, p 1) Recent rains have made the ground easily workable in Fagaras Raion of Stalin Regiune. (Drum Nou, 26 April 1960, p 1)

A regiune Party conference decided that in 1960 Ploesti Regiune will grow a minimum of 10,000 hectares in corn for ensilage. (Flamura Prahovei, 26 April 1960, p 1)

F. Food

A milk products plant will go into operation in the first half of 1960 at Craiova. Ultramodern equipment has been imported to automate many of the production steps such as pasteurization, cooling and washing of butter, cooling of milk. (Inainte, 28 April 1960, p 1)

G. Transportation

The turn-around time of freight cars under Craiova regiune railroad directorate was the following (in days): 1948, 3.1; 1952, 2.14; 1957, 1.93; 1959, 1.80; first quarter 1960, 1.61. (Inainte, 29 April 1960, p 3)

II. POLITICAL

Nicolae Marchian, first secretary of the Stalin regiune Party committee, spoke at a Lenin birthday celebration in Orasul Stalin on 22 April 1960. Vasile Mihut, first secretary of Orasul Stalin city Party committee also attended. (Drum Nou, 23 April 1960, p 1)

Martin Isac, alternate member of the Central Committee of the Rumanian Workers' Party and first secretary of the Timisoara regiune Party committee, spoke at a Lenin birthday celebration on 22 April 1960 at Timisoara. (Drapelul Rosu, 23 April 1960, p 1)

The following attended a Lenin birthday celebration in Galati on 22 April 1960: Anton Stoianovici, first secretary of the Galati regiune Party committee; Ion Apostolatos, Stan Gazdoi, Carol Boros, secretaries of the regiune Party committee; Nicolae Ganet, president of the regiune people's council; Ion Gae, first secretary of the city Party committee; Avram Laptoiu, first secretary of the UTM regiune committee; Blum Casian, first secretary of the regiune council of the Soviet-Rumanian Friendship Society; Major Draghici Grigore. (Viata Noua, 23 April 1960, p 1)

A Lenin birthday celebration in Constanta on 22 April 1960 was attended by Vasile Vilcu, alternate member of the Central Committee of the Rumanian Workers' Party and first secretary of the Constanta regiune Party committee; Iuga Ion, Mindreanu Constantin, Ionescu Petre and Petre Nicolae, secretaries of the regiune Party committee; Ionescu Ilie, first secretary of the Constanta city Party committee; Anton Nitescu, president of the executive committee of the regiune people's council; Iliescu Ion, president of the regiune trade unions council; Colonel Bolintineanu Ion; Sava Ion, secretary of the UTM regiune committee; Chirita Maria, secretary of the regiune women's committee; Tudose Vasiliu, president of the executive committee of Constanta city people's council; and Rear Admiral Diaconu Florea. (Dobrogea Noua, 23 April 1960, p 1)

The following officials were present at a Lenin birthday celebration held at the Iasi National Theater on 22 April 1960: Dumitru Gheorghiu, alternate member of the Central Committee of the Rumanian Workers Party and first secretary of the Iasi regiune Party committee; Simion Timofte, Petru Berica, secretaries of the regiune Party committee; Constantin Nistor, president of the executive committee of the regiune people's council; Vlad Stanescu, Dumitru Ionescu, members of the bureau of the regiune Party committee; Emil Mazilu, first secretary of the Iasi city Party committee; Ion Niculi, president of regiune council of the Soviet-Rumanian Friendship Society; Acad Prof Dr Vasile Mirza; Ion Manciu, first secretary of the regiune committee of UTM; Constantin Sacaleanu, president of the regiune trade unions council; Balas Baltagi, first secretary of the Iasi raion Party committee; Anghel Negulescu, president of the executive committee of Iasi city people's council; and Korevin Roman Romanovich, director of the [Soviet] "Third International" Textile Combine of Vladimirsch, who is leading a group of Soviet tourists now visiting Iasi. (Flacara Iasului, 23 April 1960, p 1)

A Lenin birthday celebration was held on 22 April 1960 at Deva. It was attended by Petru Furdui, first secretary of the Hunedoara regiune Party committee; David Lazar, Andrei Cervencovici, and Aurel Bulgarea, secretaries of the regiune Party committee; Dumitru Dejeu, member of the bureau of the regiune Party committee and president of the executive committee of the regiune people's council; Nagy Etelca, secretary of the regiune committee of the Red Cross; Vichente Balan, president of the regiune trade union

council; Sabo Carol, first secretary of the regiune committee of the UTM; and Fedoranici Ladislau, first secretary of the Deva city Party committee. (Drumul Socialismului, 23 April 1960, p 1)

A meeting was held on 22 April 1960 to establish the executive bureau of the Craiova regiune trade unions council. It was attended by Gheorghe Palos, secretary of the Central Council of Trade Unions, and Gheorghe Bostina, secretary of the Craiova regiune Party committee. The following were elected to the executive bureau: Stefan Dina, president; Vasile Chiutu, secretary; Florea Pirvulescu, Marin Nastase, Engr Elena Savu, Marin Vatuuiu, Traian Almariei, Tudor Croitoru, and Ilie Diaconu. (Inainte, 26 April 1960, p 1)

A conference of the Baia Mare regiune union of consumer cooperatives opened on 23 April 1960 at Baia Mare and was attended by Iosif Uglar, first secretary of the regiune Party committee; Emilian Lustig, member of Centrocoop executive committee; Vasile Balaj, vice-president of the executive committee of the regiune people's council. (Pentru Socialism, 24 April 1960, p 1)

A regiune conference of consumer cooperatives opened at Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj on 23 April 1960. It was attended by Ion Gavris, secretary of the Cluj regiune Party committee; Ioan Chico, member of the executive committee of Centrocoop; Engr Nicolae Dobos, president of the executive committee of the regiune people's council; and Iosif Stoica, president of the regiune council of consumer cooperatives, (Facila, 24 April 1960, p 1)

The regiune conference of consumer cooperatives opened in Orasul Stalin on 23 April 1960. It was attended by Ioan Marcus, secretary of Stalin regiune Party committee; Mihai Schuster, vice-president of the executive committee of the regiune people's council; and I. Neamtu, member of the executive committee of Centrocoop. (24 April 1960, p 1)

A conference of consumer cooperatives of the Hungarian Autonomous Regiune was held 23 and 24 April 1960. The following took part: Szasz Mihaly, secretary of the regiune Party committee; Davidovits Lazar, Centrocoop representative and member of the Centrocoop executive committee; Ratiu Alexandru, vice-president of the executive committee of the regiune people's council; Kocsis Istvan, president of the regiune union of consumer cooperatives. Csupor Lajos, member of the Central Committee of the Rumanian Workers' Party and first secretary of the regiune Party committee, spoke. (Steau Rosie, 27 April 1960, p 1)

Vasile Voichita, Iosif Nagy, Ion Radu, Maria Petrila, Ion Gherman, deputies to the Grand National Assembly from Timisoara Regiune attended a meeting on 23 April 1960 to discuss the activities in their district for the first quarter of the year. Deputy Ion Beldean, president of the executive committee of the Timisoara regiune people's council spoke on the regiune's task in areas of spring agricultural work and economic and social-cultural

development. (Drapelul Rosu, 24 April 1960, p 1)

Teodor Badoiu, secretary of Tirgoviste raion Party committee, attended a May Day celebration at the Tirgoviste oil field on 28 April 1960. (Flamura Prahovei, 29 April 1960, p 1)

Andrei Herzberger, secretary of the Timisoara city Party committee, spoke at a May Day celebration at "Electromotor" Enterprise in Timisoara on 27 April 1960.

(Drapelul Rosu, 28 April 1960, p 1)

Ion Gae, first secretary of the Galati city Party committee, and Nicolae Voinescu, vice-president of the Galati city people's council, spoke at May Day celebrations on 27 April 1960. (Viata Noua, 28 April 1960, p 1)

Gheorghe Botina and Ion Nicolae, secretaries of the Iasi regiune Party committee, attended May Day celebrations on 28 April 1960. (Inainte, 29 April 1960, p 1)

Constantin Moculescu, chief of the social security office of the health and social security section of the Calafat raion people's council, was sentenced to 5 years imprisonment for taking bribes. He pretended that he had had to work out crooked deals for persons to receive pensions to which they were entitled and then made them give him a kickback.

(Inainte, 26 April 1960, p 2)

The Russian language club of the Cluj regiune council of the Soviet-Rumanian Friendship Society has begun Russian language classes for pre-school children. Conducted by Prof Gorun Claudia, the classes will be held three times a week and will consist of conversations, songs and games. (Facila, 27 April 1960, p 3)

APPENDIX

List of Sources

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Dobrogea Noua	Constanta
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Faclia	Cluj
Flacara	Iasului
Flamura Rosie	Resita
Flamura Prahovei	Ploesti
Flamura Prahovei	Ploesti
Inainte	Craiova
Pentru Socialism	Baia Mare
Secera si Ciocanul	Pitesti
Steaua Rosie	Hungarian Autonomous Regiune
Steaugul Rosu	Bucuresti
Viata Noua	Galati

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